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City of Charleston Farmers Market Hosts Second Annual Harvest Fare featuring Award-Winning Local Chefs

CHARLESTON, S.C.—The second annual Charleston Farmers Market Harvest Fare will take place Saturday, Nov.14 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Admission free and open to the public, the Harvest Fare, co-sponsored by Stage Presence, will highlight market vendors, their produce and local chefs in a series of cooking demonstrations. The demonstrations, hosted by John LaVerne, owner of Culinary Tours of Charleston, include:

- 9:30 a.m. **MELT Down:** Market vendor and MELT Chef Nathan Albertson prepares seasonal, market inspired dishes from your everyday kitchen.
- 10:30 a.m. **From Farm to Plate**: Craig Diehl, Executive Chef at Cyprus Restaurant takes Fields Farms organic produce and creates a delicious surprise.
- 11:30 a.m. **Organic Table**: Mike Lata, FIG Executive Chef joins forces with organic herb vendor Lee Burbage to honor the Southern tradition of growing organic.
- 12:30 p.m. **Swamp Fox Dessert Treat**: Chef Ryan Kacenjar prepares a sweet treat to savor at your harvest table.

"The City of Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs is pleased to feature family friendly events throughout the year at the Charleston Farmers Market," says Ellen Dressler Moryl, director of City of Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs. "The Harvest Fare is a wonderful way to celebrate the delicious produce found here in the Lowcountry and experiment with the many tasty ways we can mix the flavors. We are glad to showcase these highly creative local chefs who offer not only their time, but share their 'tricks of the trade'—it's a real treat!"

Founded by Mayor Joe Riley in 1989, the Charleston Farmers Market is produced by the City of Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs. It was recently ranked by Travel and Leisure magazine as one of the top 10 best

Farmers Markets in the nation. Located in Marion Square, in the heart of historic downtown Charleston, S.C., the Charleston Farmers Market is open each Saturday, from April to December, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Charleston Farmers Market is dedicated to the support and advocacy of Lowcountry farmers and growers and offers a variety of local produce, plants,

herbs and cut flowers as well as breakfast and lunch vendors, live entertainment and an assortment of juried arts and crafts from local artisans.

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